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Yoshiki Nakagawa, et al.

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For: BLOCK COPOLYMER

AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 28, 2002 (Paper No. 19), please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

In the Claims

Please amend claim 33 as follows:

33 (Amended). A process for producing an AB block copolymer, an ABA block copolymer or a multiblock copolymer,

which comprises adding an alkenyl-containing polymer (I) to a living radical polymerization system or a living cationic polymerization system,

wherein said multiblock copolymer is obtained through the living radical polymerization or the living cationic polymerization using said polymer (I) having two alkenyl groups per molecule, and a bifunctional initiator.

Please add the following new claims:

63 (Added). A process for producing an AB block copolymer, an ABA block copolymer or a linear multiblock copolymer,

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